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QUOTE: S E C R E T LONDON 00386

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TAGS: PARM UK GW

SUBJECT: POSSIBLE TRILATERAL SALT CONSULTATIONS

1. DURING COURSE OF MEETING AT FCO IN WHICH JOHN WILBERFORCE SUGGESTED HE VISIT WASHINGTON FOR TALKS IN JANUARY (SEPTTEL), WILBERFORCE SAID FRG DOES NOT SEEM DISPOSED TO PUSH NOW FOR TRILATERAL SALT CONSULTATIONS. HE NOTED THAT WHILE HMG WAS CERTAINLY PREPARED TO TAKE PART IN SUCH DISCUSSIONS, BRITISH ALSO DID NOT WANT TO TAKE THE LEAD IN PROMOTING THEM. THAT MIGHT CHANGE WHEN THE FOREIGN SECRETARY RETURNED FROM HOLIDAY LATER THIS WEEK, BUT AT THE MOMENT THE UK WAS IN A HOLDING PATTERN.

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2. WILBERFORCE ADDED THAT, IN ANY EVENT, UK WOULD WANT A BILATERAL EXCHANGE--OF THE SORT HE WISHED TO PURSUE IN WASHINGTON--BEFORE ANY TRILATERAL MEETING OCCURRED.

3. DEPARTMENT PLEASE REPEAT BONN AND PARIS.

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